STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS29647 / S1347

This is the FY 2023 original appropriation bill for the Office of Species Conservation. It appropriates a total of \$19,761,900 and caps the number of authorized full-time equivalent positions at 15.00. For benefit costs, the bill increases the appropriated amount for health insurance by \$850 to \$12,500 per eligible full time FTP, includes a one-year holiday of unemployment insurance, and adjusts workers' compensation amounts. The bill also provides funding for permanent employees for the equivalent of a 3% salary structure shift and provides \$1.25 per hour per eligible employee to be distributed based on merit for change in employee compensation. The bill funds three line items, which provide: \$75,000 onetime from the General Fund for the eighth year of the sage grouse study; \$25,000 from the General Fund for travel costs; and an increase of \$5,000,000 in federal funds for salmon migration projects authorized under the Investment Infrastructure and Jobs Act.

FISCAL NOTE

	FTP	Gen	Ded	Fed	Total
FY 2022 Original Appropriation	15.00	1,629,000	15,000	13,016,700	14,660,700
Removal of Onetime Expenditures	0.00	(75,000)	0	0	(75,000)
FY 2023 Base	15.00	1,554,000	15,000	13,016,700	14,585,700
Personnel Benefit Costs	0.00	3,400	0	3,700	7,100
Statewide Cost Allocation	0.00	(11,100)	0	0	(11,100)
Change in Employee Compensation	0.00	44,300	0	35,900	80,200
FY 2023 Program Maintenance	15.00	1,590,600	15,000	13,056,300	14,661,900
1. Continued Sage Grouse Study	0.00	75,000	0	0	75,000
2. Travel Cost Increases	0.00	25,000	0	0	25,000
47. Salmon Migration Funding	0.00	0	0	5,000,000	5,000,000
FY 2023 Total	15.00	1,690,600	15,000	18,056,300	19,761,900
Chg from FY 2022 Orig Approp	0.00	61,600	0	5,039,600	5,101,200
% Chg from FY 2022 Orig Approp.	0.0%	3.8%	0.0%	38.7%	34.8%

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